

TAKE ISPAHAN
IN INVASION
OF PERSIA

Russia's Hordes of Soldiers
Are Overrunning Coun-
try and Are Much Fur-
ther Southward Than It
Had Been Heretofore Re-
ported

ARE 200 MILES SOUTH
OF TEHERAN NOW

On the Bukovina Front the
Russians Have Thrust
Back the Austrians—The
Italians Lost Many Men
at Tolmino—Violent At-
tacks Made a Slight Gain
for Germans in France

London, March 21.—A Reuter dispatch from Teheran says that Russian forces entered Isbahan, the old capital of Persia, on March 19.

Isbahan is one of the most important cities of Persia, 200 miles southeast of Teheran. The foregoing dispatch indicates that the Russian movement is further to the south than hitherto reported. The army now reported at Isbahan is evidently working southward from the main Russian forces in the direction of the Persian gulf.

2,500 FRENCHMEN
TAKEN BY KAISER

Berlin War Office Announces Important
Capture of French Positions North
of Avocourt.

Berlin, via London, March 21.—French positions northeast of Avocourt were captured by Germans who took 2,500 prisoners, the war office announced to-day.

AUSTRIANS SENT
BACK IN RETREAT
BY RUSSIANS

Were Forced to Evacuate Their Bridge-
head Fortifications North of
Usciecko on the Dneister
River.

London, March 21.—Austrian forces operating northwest of Usciecko on the Dneister river, the Bukovina border, were forced by the pressure of the Russians to evacuate the bridgehead fortifications and abandon their transports. Under cover of night they succeeded in reaching the Austrian advance posts northwest of Zale Sezczyk, north of Czernowitz, according to the Austrian official statement to-day.

SMALL GAIN
BY GERMANS
WEST OF MEUSE

Violent Attacks Delivered Last Night in
Defenses of Verdun Yielded a Slight
Footing Southwest of Malancourt
Wood, Says a Paris Report.

Paris, March 21.—The German forces again made violent attacks in the Verdun region, west of the Meuse, last night. The war office announced to-day that the Germans had gained no success except that they obtained a slight footing southwest of Malancourt wood, East of the Meuse the night was calm.

Paris, March 21.—Another powerful German attack, this time between Avocourt and Malancourt, west of the Meuse, resulted yesterday in heavy losses to the Germans, according to the official communication issued by the French war office last night.

A fresh division brought up from a distant point was used in this operation which was characterized by the employment of jets of liquid flame. At one point, east of the Malancourt wood, the Germans made some slight progress. The text of the statement follows:

"In the Argonne our artillery destroyed German trenches to the northeast of Pour De Pairs and Haute Cheverrie. The shelling of German works was followed by the omission of considerable sulphurous vapors, indicating that reserves were destroyed by our shells.

"We energetically bombarded the sector of Avocourt, Malancourt and disposed of groups of the enemy reported assembling to the north of the Mont Faucon wood.

"West of the Meuse, the Germans in the course of the day after an intense bombardment with shells of large calibre made an attempt to enlarge their front. An attack by a fresh enemy division recently brought up from a point remote from the front was directed with great violence and attended by the use of jets of liquid flame against our position between Avocourt and Malancourt.

"Our barrier fire and the fire of our machine guns and infantry inflicted heavy losses on the enemy and broke down the effort of the assailants who were able to make only slight progress at a point in the eastern part of the Malancourt wood.

"A violent bombardment also occurred

at hill 304 and in the region of the Bois Bourrus.

"East of the Meuse and in the Woivre artillery activity has been intermittent.

"Last night our bombing aeroplanes dropped 25 shells on the railway station at Dun-Sur-Meuse where important movements of troops had been reported. All the projectiles reached the objects aimed at.

"This morning one of our pursuing aeroplanes brought down in the region of Verdun an enemy machine which fell inside our lines."

1,070 ITALIANS
WERE CAPTURED
AT TWO POINTS

Heavy Fighting on Austrian Border Con-
tinues and Austrian Attacks
Claims Italian Attacks
Broke Down.

Berlin, via wireless, March 21.—Heavy fighting continues on the Austro-Italian front. The official Austrian statement of yesterday says that Italian attacks broke down before the Austrian fire. At Tolmino Bridgehead 925 Italians were taken prisoners and the number of machine guns taken was increased to seven. At Romson the Austrians captured a position and 155 Italians and two machine guns.

MORE RESTRICTIONS
PUT ON BRITISH

Luxuries Cut Off By Proclamation Just
Signed By King George—Barred
Imports Include Au-
tomobiles, Player-
pianos.

London, March 21.—Further restrictions on the importation of luxuries were imposed to-day. At the meeting of the privy council, King George signed a proclamation prohibiting the bringing in of automobiles, motor cycles, various musical instruments, such as player-pianos and phonographs, and spirits and other strong drink, with the exception of brandy and rum.

BELGIUM GETS PROMISE
That She May Participate in Peace Ne-
gotiations.

London, March 21.—The entente allies have promised Belgium she will be invited to participate in peace negotiations.

"IMMEDIATE PEACE"
Is Suggestion in Cablegram Received at
Galveston, Texas.

Galveston, Texas, March 21.—"Immediate peace is in sight," is one sentence in a cablegram received yesterday from London by a Galveston shipping firm, cancelling arrangements made for chartering a considerable amount of tonnage. It is understood that negotiations for chartering a number of small steamers for the handling of lumber had been virtually closed when the cablegram came cancelling the agreement.

The firms involved in the transaction are of high standing. The person giving out the cablegram to-day declined to give the names of the concerns for publication. Well informed circles here say there is no reason to doubt the sincerity of the London firm in the belief regarding peace.

IRISH RIOTERS
FIRED ON POLICE

Police Sergeant and Two Inspectors Re-
ceived Slight Wounds in Trouble
at Tullamore, King's County,
Last Night.

London, March 21.—Sinn Fein rioters fired on the police at Tullamore, King's county, Ireland, last night. A police sergeant was wounded seriously and two inspectors received slight wounds.

THREE CHECKS FORGED.

Arthur Duquette Alleged to Have Drawn
on a Brattleboro Bank.

Keene, N. H., March 21.—Arthur Duquette of this city was in the municipal court of Keene, before Judge Holmes, yesterday and pleaded guilty to forgery. He was bound over to the April term of superior court in \$700 bonds. He failed to furnish bail and was committed.

It is alleged that Duquette forged three checks, total, \$25.75. One was under date of June 14, 1915, on the People's National bank of Brattleboro, Vt., made payable to Harry Weeks and drawn to the account of F. W. W. Meany. This check was cashed by Samuel Finkelstein of this city and amounted to \$5.75.

A second check was drawn on the Keene National bank to the account of W. H. Parker for \$12 and made payable to Elton Stoddard. A third check for \$8 was also drawn on the Keene National bank to the account of W. H. Parker and payable to Forest Leach. The two last checks were under date of March 4 and 7, respectively.

LIE PASSED TO BRYAN.

Campaigning for His Brother, William J.
Got Into Argument.

Lincoln, Neb., March 21.—William Jennings Bryan here last night opened the campaign in Nebraska, speaking in favor of a state prohibition amendment. Mayor Charles W. Bryan of Lincoln, brother of the former secretary of state, is a candidate for the Democratic nomination for governor.

A dispute between Mr. Bryan and John G. Hahar, a local politician, in which the lie was passed to Mr. Bryan in a hotel lobby, enlivened the informal meetings previous to last night's gathering.

The dispute arose over a question of Mr. Hahar as to whether one of the speakers from the east who was on last night's program was getting paid for his services. Mr. Bryan remarked that Hahar's motive was mercenary. This provoked the retort and Mr. Hahar followed it with other charges.

TWO HITS MADE
BY BRITISHERS
IN SEA ACTION

Four Destroyers Gave Chase
to Three German Destroy-
ers, Which Ran for Pro-
tection of Their Naval
Base at Zeebrugge on the
Belgian Coast

FOUR BRITISH SEAMEN
WOUNDED IN CLASH

Fight Occupied but a Short
Time, and the British Pa-
trol Was Unable to Over-
haul the Germans, So
Quickly Did the Latter
Dart for Protection

London, March 21.—An engagement occurred yesterday off the Belgian coast between four British and three German torpedo boat destroyers. Two of the German vessels were hit. Four men on a British boat were wounded. The official account of the action follows:

"Yesterday morning four British destroyers sighted three German destroyers off the Belgian coast. The Germans immediately turned and ran for Zeebrugge, chased by our destroyers. Shots were exchanged and during the short running fight two enemy boats were observed to have been hit. Our casualties were four men wounded."

GERMANS CLAIM
VICTORY AT SEA

Say That Five British Destroyers Fled
Before Three German Destroyers
After Having Received Se-
veral Direct Hits.

Berlin, via London, March 21.—A German account of a battle off the Belgian coast says:

"On March 20, off the coast of Flanders, a fight successful for us took place between three German torpedo boats and a division of five British destroyers. The enemy broke off the engagement after he had received several direct hits, and steamed out of sight at full speed. We suffered only unimportant damage."

TWO WOMEN SHOT,
ONE MAY DIE

Janitor of St. Botolph Street Building
is Arrested After Shooting of His
Wife and a Tenant.

Boston, March 21.—Two women were wounded, fatally, and a third narrowly escaped being struck by a bullet from a revolver in the hands of a man apparently crazed with drink, at 129 St. Botolph street shortly before noon yesterday. James Connor, janitor of the building, was arrested on a charge of shooting with intent to kill his wife, Alice A. Connor, and Mrs. Janice Beverly, a tenant in the building. Connor also is charged with setting fire to the house.

The two women are at the City hospital. Mrs. Connor is shot through the abdomen and probably will die. Mrs. Beverly also is wounded in the abdomen, but it is not thought that her injury is fatal.

Connor, who at one time was an inmate of the Austin farm, appeared to be crazed with drink. According to the police, he had a 32-caliber revolver in the kitchen of his tenement in the basement of the building and said: "I am going to stop all this talk" whereupon he fired at his wife, Mrs. Beverly, who has a suite in the rear of the first floor, heard the shot and rushed into the hall with her baby in her arms. Connor ran up the stairs and it is claimed that he fired two shots. One struck Mrs. Beverly and the other passed between the arm and body of Miss Beatrice Callan as she fled with Mrs. Connor's baby to the front of the house.

Miss Rita Scott, who was in the suite of Miss Callan's mother, Mrs. Gertrude Callan, took Mrs. Beverly's baby and ran to a front room. Connor, it is claimed, followed her and fired through the glass door. Mrs. Callan opened the window and Miss Scott jumped with the baby to the street, a drop of seven feet, and badly sprained her ankle. Connor ran back to his tenement and when the police arrived in response to calls from several women in the building, they found his kitchen afire.

Connor is 34 years of age and his wife is 26.

FORMER BOARDS NAMED.

For License Commissioners in St. Al-
bans and Swanton.

St. Albans, March 21.—Assistant Judges Ellis W. Foster and Charles A. Cardyne made the appointments of liquor license commissioners yesterday afternoon for St. Albans City and Swanton, the only towns in Franklin county that vote to license the sale of liquor for the coming year. The old board was re-appointed for St. Albans City, viz., Nelson E. L'Ecuyer, John J. Finn and Orin N. Pease, and for Swanton the same men who served two years ago when that town voted in favor of the license.

They are Homer J. Brown, Frank N. Hall and Charles E. L'Ecuyer.

M. B. HILLEGAS
BECOMES HEAD OF
VERMONT SCHOOLS

Columbia University Man Who Prepared
1914 Report for Carnegie Founda-
tion Selected By State Board
of Education to Succeed
M. S. Stone.

Burlington, March 21.—The Vermont state board of education has appointed Prof. Milo B. Hillegas of the Teachers' college, Columbia university, New York, as state commissioner of education, to succeed Mason S. Stone, who resigned some months ago but consented to remain until an appointment had been made for the position. Professor Hillegas will assume his new duties on June 1.

Professor Hillegas is the man who made a report for the Carnegie Foundation on elementary schools in Vermont in 1914, said report having been submitted to the legislature. He spent some weeks in Vermont gathering material for the report.

It is interesting to note at this time the opinion which was formed by Hillegas during that investigation. He said:

"A new course of study is needed. The steps that have been taken in this matter are mainly in the right direction. It is not possible for any one person to be so fully acquainted with all parts of the state that he can make a course suited to all conditions. Since the course of study is such an important factor in instruction it should be made by those primarily concerned with instruction; namely, the teachers and superintendents with the advice and direction of the state board of education. For this purpose experienced teachers and superintendents from all parts of the state should be organized into committees and brought together at an early date, in order that the general principles that shall govern the making of the course may be fully explained and illustrated. Not less than two years should be allowed these committees in which to prepare a tentative course, which should then be published and tried in the schools for a year in order to remedy its effects before final adoption."

"There should be at least two separate courses, one for the rural schools and one for the graded schools. Much of the subject matter in these two courses would be the same, but the suggestions and applications should vary greatly. The various cities and unions might add appropriate modifications. This method of making a course of study will require a careful consideration of all of the conditions surrounding the schools, and will result in a course suited to the needs of Vermont. Incidentally, it will greatly benefit all of those who take part in the work of their preparation."

The members of the state board of education are: James Hartness of Springfield, chairman; Frank H. Brooks of St. Johnsbury, Rev. A. W. Hewitt of Plainfield, L. B. Johnson of Randolph, Wallace H. Gilpin of Barton and M. C. Webber of Rutland.

NOT WHOLLY DOWN-
CAST OVER DEFEAT

Vermont Anti-Saloon League Finds Some
Cause for Satisfaction in Election Re-
sult in Vermont—Local Organi-
zations Failed to Do Work.

Burlington, March 21.—The annual meeting of the Vermont Anti-Saloon league was held at headquarters here to-day with a large attendance of the 55 members of the board of trustees. The feature of the meeting was the annual report of the superintendent, Rev. Clifford H. Smith.

Mr. Smith, in his report said in part: "The league has had a great year, a year of gratifying financial support, of harmonious co-operation with other temperance organizations in the state, of varied and unusual activities and of a final smashing defeat, from which, nevertheless, some crumbs of comfort may be extracted. Like St. Paul, 'We are cast down, but not in despair.'"

"Five members of the board of trustees have removed from the state during the year and have been dropped from the roll—Rev. E. P. Stevens of Rutland, Rev. G. H. Holt of Barre, Rev. E. E. Phillips of St. Johnsbury, H. O. Wheeler and Rev. H. A. Durlie of Burlington. The total number on the roll at the present time is 51."

"The treasurer's report shows that \$6,051.95 has passed through his hands during the year. The actual cash receipts from all sources were \$5,212.53, almost exactly \$500 less than during the preceding year, when \$481 was raised to pay off an old debt. The year's expenditure was \$5,507.17, which is \$171.50 less than a year ago. There was a net gain of \$114.38."

"The superintendent spoke in some detail of the recent campaign and the part the league took in it. The Anti-Saloon league of America furnished five special campaign numbers of the American issue without expense to the Vermont league. Some 20,000 copies of each of the first four numbers and 40,000 of the fifth were distributed, representing a gift of about \$1,200."

The out-of-the-state speakers included Rev. A. C. Bane, Hon. Wayne B. Wheeler, H. R. Hutton and Rev. Clarence True Wilson. Much space was taken in newspapers for advertising.

"It must be admitted," concludes Mr. Smith, "that there was not a satisfactory local organization of forces, and we did not get out the vote we had reason to expect. The vote for the retention of the local option law was only a little larger than we had expected, but the vote for prohibition was much smaller. Evidently Vermont is still against the saloon, for the majority against license is nearly as large as in the year before."

WILL BE HELD AT PLATTSBURG.

Summer Training Camp Scheduled to Be
Carried Out.

New York, March 21.—Major-General Leonard Wood, U. S. A., in command of the department of the East, announced last night that he had been advised by the adjutant-general of the army in Washington, that despite published reports to the contrary, the summer training camps at Plattsburg, N. Y., would be held as originally planned.

U. S. AVIATORS
SEEK VILLA

Are Searching Out the Ob-
scure Trails to Moun-
tain Passes

SIERRA MADRE MTS.
ARE HIS HAVEN

If He Reaches Them, It Will
Be Difficult to Find
Him

El Paso, Tex., March 21.—Aviators of the United States army reported to-day they were searching the almost blind trails leading to the passes in the Sierra Madre mountains, where Villa may seek to escape after his defeat by Carranza forces yesterday at Naniquipa. The details of the fight are lacking to-day, but it is reported that Villa was badly worsted and that he fled, leaving his dead and wounded.

Army officers agree that if Villa breaks up his command into small bands and turns to the Sierra Madre mountains as a hiding-place it will be almost impossible to capture him. Mexicans here believe that Villa will hide himself away in the mountain passes until the American troops have given up the chase.

Torreon, Mexico, March 21.—Governor troops have routed a band of Villa followers at Trinidad, killing 18 men and capturing 16 saddle horses. They pursued the bandits as far as Jimulco.

Washington, D. C., March 21.—War department dispatches to-day contained no reports on fighting between Carranza troops and a Villa band, mentioned in last night's border dispatches. A report from Pershing, forwarded by Funston, said Carranza troops and civilians who had encountered the punitive expedition had been friendly and that the Mormon colony at Casas Grandes hailed the column as rescuers. The war department reports made no mention of gatherings of Carranza troops along the border and spoke of no uneasiness.

U. S. AVIATOR HURT.

T. S. Bowen Fell 50 Feet and Machine
Was Partly Wrecked.

Columbus, N. M., March 21.—A wireless from the field army says an aviator was partially wrecked to-day by a 50-foot fall. Pilot Lieutenant T. S. Bowen was injured but not fatally.

U. S. GOVERNMENT
AGREES TO PROTOCOL

Wilson and Cabinet Decided to Accept
Carranza's Proposal for a Work
Agreement in Villa Pursuit.

Washington, D. C., March 21.—President Wilson and his cabinet to-day decided to accept the proposal for a protocol between the United States and the de facto government of Mexico for co-operation in the pursuit of Villa and his outlaws.

The terms of such a formal convention would be designed to meet all questions which may arise in the future, setting forth the rights of the American expeditionary forces now in pursuit of the bandit chieftain and the nature of the cooperation expected from the troops of the Carranza government. These facts became known at the conclusion of a conference between Eliseo Arredondo, Mexican ambassador designate, and Acting Secretary Polk of the state department. Negotiations on the details will be in progress several days, but the two governments are in agreement on the general principles involved.

The proposal for the protocol, which it is planned to remain in force until Villa is captured, came from Mr. Arredondo and was a direct result of the request of the United States for permission to use the railway between El Paso and Casas Grandes for the shipment of supplies to the American expeditionary forces. Mr. Arredondo is understood to have received instructions from General Carranza to discuss the request with the state department and to propose the agreement by which a complete understanding will be had by both governments.

While the convention will provide for all matters such as the use of Mexican railroads by American troops, the specific request for permission to ship supplies from El Paso will be disposed of separately. General Carranza has asked for additional information on that subject and it will be forwarded to him immediately. State department officials declined to discuss the nature of the information desired, on the ground that while negotiations are in progress they must be held to be confidential.

DECLINED TO GIVE AID.

Carranza Forces Even Permitted Villa
to Escape Net.

El Paso, Tex., March 21.—Despite the reports that General Carranza's forces had engaged those of Villa at Naniquipa, persons well informed here expressed the opinion that the Carranza forces had failed to keep up their end of the net by which it was proposed to capture the bandit chieftain. There were confirmatory reports received yesterday of the news received for the last week that the Mexican troops not only failed to co-operate with the American troops, but in certain instances at least were actually withdrawing from the field of operations.

The Associated Press learned on unquestionable authority that the troops of the de facto government which have been stationed at Casas Grandes have been withdrawn and are now in and about Juarez. From the same source it was learned that at least one detachment of

Carranza troops had refused to fight
Villa and had withdrawn on the bandit's
approach, leaving him free to pass into
his favorite mountain fastness. This
detachment withdrew on receipt of a
message that he was warning not on
Mexicans but the enemies of Mexicans.

REPORTS A BATTLE.

But General Gavira is Very Hazy as to
the Details.

El Paso, March 21.—The forces of Col. Canino were engaged in battle at 4:30 yesterday afternoon with bandits led by Villa in Naniquipa, according to a dispatch received yesterday afternoon by General Gavira, Carranza commandant at Juarez. The result of the fighting was not decided at the time of the receipt of the dispatch. Naniquipa is in the district of Guerrero, state of Chihuahua.

Col. Canino is in command of a force of 900 cavalry which came in contact two days ago at Elvalle with Villa forces, which on this occasion fled without giving battle.

HAD REACHED 97th YEAR.

Mrs. Marenza R. Dodge Died in Montpel-
ier Last Evening.

Death removed one of the oldest residents of Montpelier last evening when Mrs. Marenza R. Dodge passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Adella C. Templeton, 235 Elm street, at the advanced age of 97 years. Despite her age, Mrs. Dodge's decline was gradual and she was confined to the bed less than a month. She had, however, been partially blind and deaf for the past five years, which debilitated her from such enjoyment as she might have had.

The deceased was born March 21, 1819, in Braintree, the daughter of Hiram and Rebekah Merrick. She was one of a family of thirteen children, of which three are still living, Cornelius Bass of Braintree, Rena B. Nelson of Sutton, N. H., and Mrs. Lucinda B. Scott of Braintree.

Mrs. Dodge resided in the homestead which was given her father, being the first child born in Braintree, in 1790, and for the period of 126 years, the same family has occupied the homestead.

The deceased was the wife of Nathan H. Dodge of Calais, and they resided in that village for 45 years, she removing 18 years ago, following the death of her husband, to East Montpelier, there residing with her daughter, Mrs. A. H. Templeton. Several years ago mother and daughter removed to Montpelier. Five children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Dodge as follows: Mrs. Mary B. Dingwall, Don H. Dodge, Howard C. Dodge of Worcester, Dr. J. S. Dodge of Cuba and Mrs. Templeton. The last three survive, Don Dodge having passed away in Montpelier a year ago.

The funeral will be held from the house, 235 Elm street, Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock and will be private. Rev. L. H. Benedict, pastor of the Baptist church, officiating.

CLAIMS DAMAGES
FROM QUARRY OWNER

George Milne of Barre Testified That
E. R. Fletcher of Hardwick Hit Him
with Iron Pipe But Admitted He Had
Been Annoying Fletcher's People.

E. R. Fletcher of Hardwick, owner of a Woodbury granite quarry, is the defendant in a \$300 damage suit brought by George Milne of Barre, the trial of which was commenced this forenoon in Washington county court, which reconvened at 9 o'clock after the regular week-end recess. The following jury is hearing the case: A. E. White, Fred Darling, Vern Slayton, Martin S. Herbert, Henry Patterson, W. H. Belon, A. E. Foss, William R. Cooley, John Osborn, John F. Lee, J. W. Averill and Grant Lane. The case is an appeal from Barre city court, judgment being given in that court for the defendant to recover his costs. Milne is represented by A. A. Sargent and the defendant by J. W. Redmond of Newport.

The plaintiff was on the stand this forenoon for nearly two hours and on direct examination told of working for Mr. Fletcher at the Woodbury quarry and also for his employer at the latter's home, taking charge of the furnaces. He testified that on the afternoon of Feb. 21, 1914, he decided to throw up his job and accordingly asked for and received his time. It was the following afternoon, after leaving the house where he boarded, that he was stopped on the highway by Mr. Fletcher who asked him where he was going. The witness said he replied that it was his business, whereupon Mr. Fletcher jumped from a sleigh, took off his overcoat and proceeded to beat him (Milne) over the shoulders with an iron pipe. He said he was struck five or six times, even after he was knocked to the ground.

On cross-examination, he admitted having purchased a quart of whiskey the night he decided to get through work at the Fletcher quarry and drank about half of it the afternoon of the alleged affray. He admitted that he was arrested later and the following day pleaded guilty to charge of intoxication. He told of going to the enginehouse of the Woodbury quarry, visiting the engineer in charge, one George Sutor, who admitted that he insisted on handling different parts of the machinery, much to the annoyance of Sutor. Afterward he went to his boarding house and was ordered from the house by Mr. Fletcher. Witness said he was "only talking with the fellows." He refused to leave the house and was thrown down the stairs by Mr. Fletcher. He ventured down the road but decided later to return to the house and it was while he was on his way back that his former employer accosted him and inquired where he might be going and the alleged beating resulted.

The witness said that he was unable to use his right arm for several weeks and was detained from work for two months and had medical attendance. Under cross-examination he also testified that prior to the trouble he talked with Mr. Fletcher and called him names. Pressed to give an example of the language used, he said he "called him everything."

The case will probably not last very long and may be completed to-day.

Wilson Will Sign.

Washington, March 21.—President Wilson has told congressional leaders he will sign the Philippine bill, including the Clarke amendment for independence not later than four years, despite his disapproval of some of its details.

BARRE MEN
BUY QUARRY

Incorporators of Littlejohn
& Milne, Inc., Pur-
chase 34 Acres

WILL BEGIN WORKING
QUARRY AT ONCE

Plan to Conduct Operations
on an Extensive

Following soon after its incorporation, the Littlejohn & Milne Quarry Co., Inc., of Barre formed an organization and purchased what was formerly known as the Littlejohn & Milne quarry on Millstone hill, the transfer having been completed last night and announcement of the same being made to-day. The incorporators are Alex. Milne, Alfred C. Simpson, John P. Corskie and John C. Booth, and the capital stock named in the articles of association is \$50,000. The sale of this quarry is the third large deal to take place in Barre quarry realty within a few months. The purchase was made from Alex. Milne and the W. S. Littlejohn estate.

The organization of the corporation was completed by the election of the following officers: President, Alex. Milne; vice-president, Alfred C. Simpson; treasurer, John P. Corskie; clerk, John C. Booth. All the men named are actively engaged in the granite business in this city at the present time and are recognized as substantial business men.

Their plans as to the operation of the quarry are not fully completed, but they are stated to-day that just as soon as the weather will permit they will begin stripping the quarry for extensive operations. The land consists of 34 acres located on the Westerville side of the hill and up to the present time only about three acres have been opened up. The quarry was started by Littlejohn & Milne 16 years ago and more recently was operated by George Liberson. For the past year, however, it has not been worked. The stock is light and medium.

At the present time there is equipment enough in the quarry to permit operations on a considerable scale, and, in addition, there are sidings of the Barre & Chelsea railroad into the pit, which will facilitate shipment just as soon as the men get to work. Details as to the number of men to be employed and the manner of the corporation have not as yet been completed. The four officers above named are the directors of the concern, and the Barre Savings Bank & Trust Co. is the banking headquarters. A great many large mausoleums have been turned out from this quarry during the 16 years of its operations.

DEATH OF BARTLEY ROACH.

Had Been Granite Cutter in Barre and
Montpelier Many Years.

Bartley Roach, for nearly seventeen years employed in Barre and Montpelier as a granitecutter, passed away at the home of Thomas McGoff, 379 North Main street, this morning at 3:15 o'clock. Mr. Roach had been in failing health since September, 1914, although his condition did not develop seriously until a short time ago. He is survived by two sisters, Miss Margaret Roach of Concord, N. H., and Miss Mary Roach, who lives in Ireland; and four brothers, Martin Roach of Waterbury, Thomas Roach, a resident of Montpelier, and Bernard Roach of Concord, N. H.

Mr. Roach was born in Ireland 48 years ago and came to America at the age of 31. As a young man he had learned the granite trade and soon after coming to this country, he settled in the Barre granite district. During his seventeen years' residence in this city and vicinity, he was employed by several manufacturing firms. Mr. Roach was a member of the granitecutters' union.

Arrangements for the funeral wait upon the receipt of advices from relatives of the deceased in Concord, N. H. It is expected, however, that the body will be taken to Montpelier for service in St. Augustine's church. Burial will be made in St. Michael's cemetery at the capital.

LOOKING UP RECORDS.

New Hampshire Official Comes to Montpelier Over Boundary Dispute.

Concord, N. H., March 21.—Assistant Attorney-General Joseph S. Matthews is in Montpelier, Vt., looking over the Vermont records for material to use in the hearing before the United States supreme court in the New Hampshire-Vermont boundary case.

The answer of New Hampshire to the suit brought by Vermont to have been filed in the United States court this month, but a continuance to July